

Chris "Scooter" Gini



PADI Divemaster / Technical Divemaster

Chris was first certified in 1981 in Lake Tahoe, Nevada. After a few years of high altitude diving in Nevada and Northern California, Chris moved to Hermosa Beach where he continued to shore and boat dive up and down the California and Baja Coast. He also spent some time in the Caribbean working on a diving and sailing charter boat. In 1998 Chris completed his Dive Master course and Internship and began working as a Dive Master for Dive N Surf. Eventually he started technical diving to progress and increase his skills. When not working with classes or Dive Mastering on boats, Chris spends as much time as possible technical and cave diving in California, Florida and the Yucatan in Mexico. Chris' interests are mainly working with new students as a Dive Master and underwater exploration, survey, and mapping as time permits.

Chris' Diving Experience

Northern and Southern California, Nevada, Colorado, Florida, US and British Virgin Islands, Baja Mexico and the Yucatan Peninsula, Norway, Australia, Honduras, Belize, Bahamas, Bermuda, Turks and Caicos, Caymans, Hawaii and Papua New Guinea.

Certifications

Chris' certifications include: PADI Open Water Diver, PADI Advanced Open Water Diver, PADI Rescue Diver, Emergency Responder, DAN Oxygen First Aid Provider, PADI Dive Master, PADI Scuba Review Instructor, PADI Enriched Air Diver, PADI Wreck Diver, PADI Deep Diver, PADI Cavern Diver, PADI Bubblemaker, PADI Dolphin/Atlantis Rebreather Diver, PADI Equipment Specialist, TDI Advanced Nitrox Diver, TDI Decompression Procedures Diver, IANTD Deep Diver, IANTD Advanced EANx Diver, IANTD Technical Diver, IANTD Technical Diver, IANTD Trimix Diver, Trimix Gas Blender, NSS-CDS Cave Diver, NACD Cave Diver, IANTD Advanced Cave Stage Diver, IANTD Advanced Cave DPV Diver, IANTD Advanced Cave Side Mount Diver, and Cave Surveying Techniques

Special Achievements

Chris has a BS in Mechanical and an MS in Aerospace Engineering. He has been working for Raytheon on space programs since 1986 in various roles including systems engineering, technical leadership, and project and program management. Chris is also a commercial pilot and recreational skier.

Chris' diving related activities include NSS-CDS Membership, NACD Membership, Cambrian Foundation Membership, PADI Diving Society Membership, Dive N Surf Professional Team Membership, Dive Club Membership and DiveVets Membership

Diving Philosophy

Chris enjoys diving and tries to never stop learning. He believes diving in different environments and taking courses is a great way to do this. He feels the best way to enjoy diving and become a better diver is to spend more time diving. He asserts the more time you spend in the water the more skilled and comfortable you will become and the more fun you will have.

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